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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of
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For: **PROCESS FOR INCREASING THE MOLECULAR WEIGHT OF POLYCONDENSATES**

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 50 pages of specification including claims
- ☒ 1 page(s) of abstract
- ☐ sheet(s) of drawing ☐ formal ☐ informal
- ☒ Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (original)
- ☒ This application is a continuation-in-part of prior application No. 09/125,178, filed August 12, 1998.
- ☒ Priority of application No(s). 393/96 filed on February 15, 1996 respectively; in Switzerland is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119. A certified copy of each priority document is of record in application No. 09/125,178 filed February 15, 1996.
- ☒ Please cancel claims 21, 25, 26, 27 & 29 prior to calculating the fees.

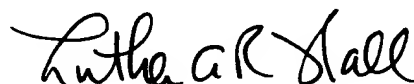
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